Report for July 1836.

The difficulty of preparing Monthly reports so as to render them at all interesting to the Society is constantly increasing. It does not arise however from any lack of information from the Brethren who have gone forth — for there never was a time, when they sent back reports more animating to christian effort. But the difficulty (of which we speak), arises from facts peculiarly encouraging. We refer to the eagerness with which intelligence of this nature is sought after and spread before the public. Editors of Religious News-papers, have discovered, that in order to meet with success, they must have a portion of their journals set apart for "Missionary Intelligence". They find it acceptable to their readers, and they now furnish it in such quantities as almost to forestall the appropriate channels for such information — One can not take up a weekly journal without having it thrust upon his notice whether it be agreeable or not. But this augurs well — and bespeaks a growing interest in the cause: and we are thus enabled to feel the pulse of the religious

communicate on the subject. Good must result from the general and wide spread diffusion of such knowledge - - -

The limited time allotted compels us to pass over in silence the operations of the A. B. For we go upon the presumption that all the brethren have the opportunity of reading the Herald, and that they do not neglect it to do so. -

The Moravians in the W. I. Islands give very interesting accounts of their success, especially in gathering children into their schools. Their schools are multiplying and there is a very great increase of attendance in all the Islands. Our Mission in Jamaica, writes one of the Brethren, "Continues to flourish. Within the last year the Lord has been pleased to bless, in a particular manner, our week-day and Sun-day schools, notwithstanding some extra regulations disadvantageous to the instruction of the elder children." The attendance on public worship is also very much increased of late. A striking change in this respect was produced by the Abolition of Slavery, in some of the Islands. The following is the account given by one of the Missionaries. My heart overflows with gratitude to our Savior for the great blessing which continues to follow the stupendous change which the Almighty Ruler of nations has wrought in these our days. Hand our gratitude, he continues,

is the more called forth, because the same beneficial effects ~~of~~ are not every where produced. The attendance at our devine worship continues to increase, so that now many stand round the doors and windows for want of seats. We remember well the time, when we looked out in all directions to espy a few coming to the Chapel, and the depressions of our spirits when we saw the roads desolate and all around like the valley of dry bones. But now the scene is changed: Sunday Mornings are no longer dull, they are truly Sabbatical seasons, the roads in all directions, even early, are crowded with children and young people hastening to school, and these are soon followed by crowds of adults, anxious to hear the words of life eternal - The Missionaries in the English Islands have been much encouraged by a late visit to all their stations by the Bishop and agent of B. F. Bible Soc

The accounts received from the Baptist Missions ~~at~~ Burmah are cheering - It is true they record no signal triumph of truth, yet there evidently appears to be a growing attention on the part of the heathen to the great subject - their prejudices seem gradually to be giving way and ever and anon - their hearts are made glad while hearing one and another stand out from the great throng of idolaters, and set out on their way to heaven - The state of

feeling in Ava the Capital of the Empire may be learned from the reception with which Mr Simpson met - He arrived there last September and together with Kincaid was summoned before the Court after a slight examination with respect to the Character and purposes of Mr Simpson they were dismissed without a harsh word Not a word was said about preaching or giving books; not a word about leaving the Country - We have all the toleration says Mr K. that is needed - all that the Gospel asks, because the only favor that we can ask of a heathen Government is to let us alone - Our heavenly father has thus set open the door of hope, so that although there may be much that is trying, and sometimes even perplexing - we cannot but feel that the foundation is laid for the introduction of manifold good to this benighted Empire - The demand for books and tracts is daily increasing - A few days ago - says Mr K. I received 34000. pages of books and a letter before Nov. 18000 have been given away at the house - to those who wish to examine this religion -

Among the Karens a similar eagerness for books is seen - Mr Vinton in his journal writes - Gave away 300 tracts to day - In my evening excursion went into a public square, and seeing a couple of men at a distance, I called to know if they wanted books - they immedi-

ately came running to me, saying they were from a neighboring village and wanted books for themselves and neighbors By this time they were seen coming in all directions men, women, and children, and in a few minutes I was literally surrounded with applecants. None were willing to be sent empty away - nor could I find it in my heart, to withhold from their starving Souls the bread of life" - Such scenes are common - In Siam the demand for tracts is still greater - In regard to books says Mr Jones. at first as no efforts were made to circulate them, it was not known that we had them - When a few had been distributed the applecants became numerous and urgent - Many of the most respectable have sought for them in a very serious mood - None of us have been out of the house to distribute any, but nearly half of all I brought from Singapore are gone - Most of those who come now are aware of the character of the books - and enquire for the "Sacred Book" - "the Book that tells of our God" - as they term the Gospel of Matthew, and for the "Preaching of Jesus" as the Sermon on the Mount is called - These books have found their way into most of the temples and residences of the great, and I know not but into the Kings palace - And the prospect is that long before this reaches you, all our tracts will be gone -

The only discouraging report we meet with is in regard to Scotish Missions in Russia - The tyrant Autocrat not satisfied with crushing Poland also quenching with blood the flame of liberty - has now taken another step and spread his foot on the Cross - But it will not be so long - The God of Missions will ere long shiver his sceptre and give the Kingdom to his Son -

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